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HURRAH for the young men of our country who boldly take a stand on the side of honesty in politics, honesty in the making and administration of laws, honesty in the transaction of public matters and honesty in all things, to the shame of the old political fossils who have so long been party bosses.

It seems that to renew the lease at this early date is getting to be condemned by some who were studiously undemonstrative while the question was pending, and not until public condemnation was fully established have they spoken. It won't do, "fellow travelers on the road to eternity," to come out now. You're too late.

### A NEW WRINKLE IN INTER-COURSE LAW.

Many of the readers of the CHIEFTAIN have doubtless heard of the trial of Leonard Williams, charged with the murder of William Wilson and that he was acquitted and set at liberty. The friends and relatives of Wilson were not satisfied with the court's rules and other alleged illegal proceedings, and, as a result, a new writ was issued for his re-arrest and order made for another trial. Upon representation by the friends of Williams that he had already been tried for the offense for which he was about to be arraigned again, Judge Parker issued a writ of habeas corpus for Williams, demanding that cause be shown why he was restrained of his liberty and made subject to a second trial for an offense for which he had once been tried. The action of the judge is said to be based upon a treaty provision that the Cherokee nation should not pass or execute a law in conflict with the constitution of the United States. We have no such law, as the constitution of the Cherokee nation has a similar provision to that of the United States, and it can hardly be upon the presumption that we have a law that authorizes trial for offense for which one has already been had. It must be upon something else that the judge has issued his writ—upon the attempt perhaps, to try a man twice for the same crime, which is contrary to all law, here or elsewhere. Necessarily the writ compels the party upon whom served to appear before Judge Parker with the prisoner and show cause for such an unusual procedure in law. If upon examination the judge finds that the re-arrest and trial of Williams for the murder of Wilson is consistent with the facts of the case, Williams will be surrendered to the proper authority of the nation, and tried again, if in the opinion of the court he has never been legally tried, or having been tried, be the facts in the case what they may, his trial is a fact in law, and being such, he cannot be legally tried the second time for the same offense.

**WALLACE INTERVIEWED.**  
Wednesday evening, of last week when it became known that Mr. Wallace has for some time been in Tahlequah, as a representative of the company that wishes to buy our strip lands, was about leaving it was deemed necessary, as a matter of news and satisfaction to the readers of the CHIEFTAIN, to interview him in relation to further movements of the company and their intentions as to their offer to buy, and what was the cause of leaving Tahlequah just at the time when public attention was looking for a submission of his proposition to the council, the term being so near its close. He was found in his room at the National, courteous and communicative, and ready to satisfy any reasonable curiosity as to the business in hand. The integrity of the company's intention in their offer to buy is as apparent and striking as the liberal price they propose to give.

"I hear that you expect to leave to-morrow morning on business connected with your offer to buy our strip lands, Mr. Wallace?"  
"Yes, my intention is to be off in the morning."  
"If not too inquisitive a question, have you any objection to state for what purpose, confining such information as you are willing to give to your offer to buy our strip lands?"  
"Well, no. It is on account of the incompleteness of our arrangements, and I shall leave to-morrow morning. Your chief refuses to entertain our proposition, or submit it to council for legislative consideration and action, until a satisfactory showing is produced."

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in the aggregate are no small one, and will require some arrangements that will be forthcoming when required. This is the purpose I now have in view, the accomplishment of which necessitates my absence for a while. Your council will be convened in extra session, and to justify your chief in doing so, and the necessary expense to be incurred, it is nothing but right that we satisfy all concerned that our offer is made in good faith and that we are able and ready to pay so large a sum to the last cent."

"Should we not succeed this council in effecting a purchase we expect to continue our offer during succeeding ones, until a trade is closed or there is no possibility to accomplish such a thing."  
"How long do you expect to be absent, Mr. Wallace?"  
"Not long; I shall endeavor to be back during the call session of your council."

### COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Tahlequah, I. T., Dec. 6, 1886.

Last week of council is barren of important legislative results. Some bills have become laws and a goodly number have not—"no sponsors made nor horns spoiled." Another chance is given the lawmakers to do something, as at 10 o'clock this morning the council reconvened by proclamation of the chief. There are times for all things, and this may be a time for the council not to do anything. Considering the newly revised laws, which are of proportions ample enough to cover all laws needed for our commonwealth, it may not be well that the council has not spoiled, in part at least, what the compilers have done.

Disagreement between the council and senate has been the cause of some bills being defeated. The act to divide the \$50,000 lease money, now in the treasury, between the school and general funds, was lost in this way, the council rejecting the measure. More per capita is the idea, rather than education or national plethora. The first step towards internal improvement was taken in an act to cause all public highways to be worked and kept in order. Good so far, but when will the bridges come?

An act to create a joint commission for the benefit of colored claimants to citizenship has passed both houses. It is a sort of a fellow to the one to admit those who claim such rights by reason of blood. Judge Wyly seems to be already selected by common consent as member of the latter; D. P. Brewer and Frog Sixkiller as the others. They will constitute an intelligent and satisfactory court. The much needed repairs about the capitol building are provided for by an appropriation.

An endorsement by council of the efforts of the Creeks to recover control of their ceded lands is a matter of international interest and sympathy. The Creeks were paid a ridiculous price for the western half of their country—15 cents per acre as remembered, to be occupied only by freedmen of their nation and friendly Indians. Hope they may succeed.

The act to appropriate a sum for the erection of an additional building to the Orphan asylum has become a law—work for somebody. One step, as a matter of common occurrence, necessitates another. Since the completion of Elbert's telephone, permission to erect one from here to Cincinnati has been asked for.

Conjecture is not out yet as to how long the extra term will last—perhaps a week or ten days.

### HON. RABBIT BUNCH.

CHICKASAW, I. T., December 6, 1886.

EDITOR OF INDIAN CHIEFTAIN:—Have read the communication of "Young Cherokee Voter," of Flint, C. N. He seems to have aspiring nobility about him and expects some day to be a great politician among his people. Mr. "Young Voter" says he expects to cast his first vote for chief next August, 1887. Now I think he is on the top of the fence and don't know which way to fall and there is no betting which way he will vote between now and next August election. But he can rest assured that Rabbit Bunch will be elected chief beyond a doubt, for this reason: Mr. Bunch has been true to his people and has ever been ready and willing to protect the Cherokee people in all their rights as guaranteed by treaty with the United States.

Now in regard to the \$22,500 transaction: Mr. Bunch is not responsible, for this reason: It was a bill passed by our council members to pay it; therefore it doesn't injure the character of Mr. Bunch whatever. In conclusion I ask "Young Voter" to please sign his name to his next article, so I may have a chance of forming his acquaintance and conversing with him on the political issues of the country.

Yours respectfully,  
J. M. TAYLOR, JR.

MR. WHITAKER AND MR. DICKS.

VALLETTOWN, N. C., Nov. 21, 1886.

EDITOR CHIEFTAIN:—In a recent issue of your paper appears a reply to my article written from this place, signed by John Hicks, of Asheville, C. N. His reply is a departure somewhat from the ordinary rule of correspondence, by inserting into it a little scripture and a little matter not original. He says on the same proposition I made, he could not go to North Carolina with papers. Since his letter was talked to several industrial and

prominent men of North Carolina and they say they don't want any Hicks's, these by any means. The proposition I suggested was not an unreasonable one. It would be nothing but an act of charity for council to act upon my suggestion. Will he, a Cherokee, with unblinking face, say he one moment that that proposition he could not go to North Carolina with papers? He thinks I place a very low estimate on the sense of the people of this nation. I do not; to the contrary, I place a very high estimate upon their intelligence, sense of duty and above all, love for one another, for truly the North Carolina band of Indians are a portion of the Cherokees. Mr. Hicks is certainly selfish in the extreme for wanting to deny the destiny of his own blood the blessings and enjoyment of home comfort. W. T. WHITAKER.

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